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FIVE HOCKEY MEN FORM TEAM NUCLEUS.

FORD 1908 WILL CAPTAIN.

Outlook Good and Better Support is Looked For.

Five men of last year's hockey team are available to form a nucleus for the team to represent the Institute during the coming season. They are Winthrop D. Ford 1908, William J. Kelley 1909, William J. O'Hearn 1910, Luther Davis 1910, and Harold D. Billings 1910.

Winthrop D. Ford 1908 will captain the team. He played a heady game at forward last year and will prove a strong factor on the team this season. William J. Kelley 1909 will again manage the team.

The schedule is not yet quite complete but will be published as soon as announced; it is not certain yet whether the January trip will be repeated this year or not. Practise will be held wherever good ice can be found, preferable at the Brookline Reservoir.

Of the old men Ford, Kelley and O'Hearn played forward, Davis point, and Billings put up a strong defence at goal. The team last year made 19 points against their opponents' 26, winning from Williams and forcing Dartmouth to play an extra period after Capt. Gould had been compelled to retire with a broken nose.

With such a bright outlook, it is to



W. D. FORD, 1908
Captain Hockey Team

be hoped that the team will receive a better support than last season, when very few men put themselves out to see a game, or raise a cheer. Once, even some of the players failed to appear at a scheduled intercollegiate match, necessitating that Tech borrow two of her opponent's men.

There will be a meeting of the hockey team Friday, Dec. 6, at 1 P. M. in 26 Rogers.

TECH TAKES SEVEN MEDALS.

Also Defeats B. A. A. in Relay Race at Park Square.

In an impromptu athletic meet at Park Square Wednesday night, seven Tech men received medals. Tech also defeated the B. A. A. in a mile relay race, the team doing the distance in 4m 58s. Lockett 1910, Cummings 1910, Blackburn 1908, and Salisbury 1911 ran for the Institute.

In the 60-yard dash, handicap, Seligman 1911, with two feet, ran second to A. Sweetzer of Harvard; while Fernstrom 1910, with seven feet, took third.

In the 11-2 mile race, handicap, J. N. Stephenson 1910 kept Reardon of the B. A. A. reading his number all the way. Weisman, A. A. C. won out, Stephenson getting second.

In the relay race, the Tech men gained from the start, Salisbury ending with a lead of half a lap.

TOMORROW IS 103rd ANNIVERSARY OF BIRTH OF PRESIDENT ROGERS.

"HE GAVE HIS ELOQUENCE, HIS UNTIRING ENERGY, HIS RARE WISDOM, AND LIFE ITSELF TO FOUNDING OF INSTITUTE."

President Rogers Died at Graduation Exercises in 1882, But Had Seen Institute Emerge from Experimental Stage.



PRESIDENT WILLIAM B. ROGERS.

One hundred and three years ago tomorrow William Barton Rogers was born. A friend of Agassiz and Huxley and other leading men, he was one of the foremost educationalists of his time. Besides founding the Institute he prepared the petition to the Massachusetts legislature and led the movement which resulted in the present buildings and in the buildings and organization of the Boston Society of Natural History, in the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, and, more indirectly, in Trinity Church and the Boston Public Library.

The following is a life of President Rogers reprinted from THE TECH of December 7, 1904, for which it was written by James Phinney Monroe 1882:

William Barton Rogers, founder and first president of the Institute, was born in Philadelphia, Dec. 7, 1804. The second son of Patrick Kerr Rogers, he and his three brothers—all distinguished men of science—were educated at the College of William and Mary, where their father was Professor of Natural Philosophy, and where William, at the age of twenty-four, succeeded him.

Seven years later William Rogers was called to a similar chair in the University of Virginia. In the same year (1835), he was appointed head of the geological survey of Virginia, his brilliant work in science having already given him international reputation.

In 1846 he and his brother Henry formulated a "Plan for a Polytechnic School in Boston," which much influenced the Lawrence and the Sheffield Scientific Schools founded—in connection with Harvard and Yale respectively,—not long thereafter.

Convinced, however, that the educational and industrial needs of the time could be met only by a wholly independent school, Professor Rogers, soon after coming to Boston in 1853, joined the movement already begun by leading merchants and manufacturers of that city for the creation of such an in-

stitution; and from 1859 until his death—although for the greater part of that period an invalid—he gave his eloquence, his untiring energy, his rare wisdom, and finally life itself to the founding and up-building of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Limited space forbids even an outline of this achievement of his which involved the convincing of the public and the legislature, the raising, during a time of war, of large sums of money, the working out of a new scheme of education, the creation of teaching laboratories, and the carrying forward, against poverty, misunderstanding and ceaseless opposition, of a costly and complicated educational experiment.

For President Rogers and his associates aimed to establish and did indeed create much more than a school for technical training. They created an institution where high purpose and honest work are fundamental; where youth expect to behave and to labor like men; where for a vague, "inbred" culture is substituted the real culture acquired through doing a hard task thoroughly, truthfully, and in a scholarly way; an institution which in the freedom from snobbishness among its students, in the spirit of cooperation among those students, and between undergraduate and instructor, in the absence of rank lists, honorary degrees and other old-world inheritances, is a true democracy.

President Rogers' further aim was to have the Institute become eventually a university based upon pure applied science, but broadening into philosophy,—a true university, moreover, where, on the one hand, the advanced student should have every facility for probing the deepest scientific problems, and where, on the other hand, the humblest mechanic should find substantial educational help.

Dying at the graduation exercises May 30, 1882, President Rogers lived only long enough to see the Institute emerge from the doubt and extreme

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TECH SHOW DINNER TOMORROW NIGHT.

A LONG PROGRAM OF STUNTS HAS BEEN ARRANGED.

Mr. Blackstein, Coach, All Due To Speak.

There will be a rousing good time at the Tech show dinner to-morrow night with fine speakers and rattling good songs and stunts. Kibbey, Orchard, Jenkins, Belden, Vonnegut, Allen, and Sando are expected, and it is hoped that "Bill" Adams, too, will show up with some of his famous stunts.

Several instructors have been invited, and the Dean, the Bursar, and Mr. Blackstein are to speak. Gerald H. Loughlin, general manager of "The Medicine Man" in 1900, will also give an address. Coach Francis is able to be present this year and will say a few words. Dewey, the present manager, will explain the purpose of the show, and speak about the competition for the lyrics, music, management, and poster design, and Westervelt, the author, will speak.

The program of stunts is of a more



A. ELLIS, '06 J. B. SANDO, '08
In "The Freshman"

or less extemporaneous nature. Any of the former participants in the different shows who are present may be called upon to give their several features and sing their songs, the other members of the cast joining in the chorus.

E. F. Orchard 1908, although he is not in the Institute this year, is coming back for this occasion and will sing "Dear Old M. I. T." and "My Pipe Dream" from the show last year. W.

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EPISCOPAL TECH MEN INVITED.

Special Meeting at Trinity Church Sunday.

There are at least 86 Technology men who are connected with the Episcopal Church, and these have been invited to a special meeting to be held on Sunday, Dec. 8, at 7 P. M., in the first-floor rooms of Trinity Parish House. All those who have not received invitations are cordially invited. Reverend Alexander Mann, rector of Trinity Church, will preside at the meeting. Dr. Grenfell, after the meeting, will speak in the church on his work in Labrador.

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"HA! HA!" SAID THE DUCK,
LAUGHING.

Dear me! Isn't this a little strong? Of course young women should never be given a chance to show their ability, especially in a technical school, and the thing about young fellows that worries a man most is decency. But these statements sound so bald when a person says them right out.

And then, the way that editorial on "1909 Chivalry" has been misunderstood is almost preposterous. Why, everybody loves 1909. Some people who are not members of the class expect to be soon and look forward with the keenest pleasure to the day when they will assume the responsibilities of gentlemen.

Of course THE TECH is prejudiced against 1909 but in a case of this kind, pettiness is cast aside, and it cannot withhold admiration and respect.

Like the flowers that bloom in the spring, official co-educational principles and equal rights and privileges either have nothing to do with the case or bring promise of merry sunshine. It is hard to tell which, but never mind, the fundamental principle is paved with roses.

"Every Day is Ladies' Day with Us!" God forbid that the case be otherwise.

Lives there a Junior with heart so cold who would not vote for a lady? That is the principle of the chivalric outburst of Wednesday last. These were the very words. "A woman's hand is needed in an event of this kind, a feminine taste in the flowers and decorations." Can anyone deny this?

So gallant were the members of 1909 and so respectful was their attitude toward ladies, that they nominated a lady for their prom committee without her knowledge.

It was indeed fortunate that last spring's Technique electoral committee was saved from indecency. Also viewed in remote perspective its "quickness and harmony" were admirable as was its immediate and unanimous chivalry.

There have been other chivalrous classes at the Institute, but not quite 1909. On the 1905 Technique electoral committee was a young woman. In such serious spirit was she elected and so respectful was the attitude of the committee toward her that when it met, her name was always proposed for some office, that she might be asked to leave the room. She was not invited to return until the end of the meeting. This courtesy was extended to her probably to protect her from the cigarette smoke.

Maybe a few rude members of this committee were not in sympathy with the actions of the majority, and maybe would have preferred to have her sit inside in the smoke. But these are idle speculations.

Let us return to the features of this scurrilous editorial which have been misunderstood. In all seriousness, the writer is assured that the Technique meetings this year are not opened with a prayer and surely he would not deny cigarette smoke and profanity are desirable adjuncts in a gathering of real college fellows.

Well, what do you think about it?

COMMUNICATION.

Dear Sirs:—

In your last issue you published an editorial entitled "1909 Chivalry." In this editorial you held the junior class up to ridicule for daring to treat its coeds with respect, and recognizing their class spirit and ability when they have shown them. The immediate cause of

this outburst is the nomination of a girl for the prom committee. According to your editorial her fitness for the position or for honor at the hands of the class is not to be considered, her skirts alone condemn her.

Tech is officially a co-educational institution in which the women students are on a par with the men. Unless some good and valid reason can be shown for casting them out of the social life, they should certainly be accorded equal rights and privileges in the class affairs.

The 1909 coeds have repeatedly shown their zeal in the class interest. On field night last year they worked hard to feed the men alongside of whom they could not fight; and throughout the season two of them rendered very efficient service collecting dues a job which to say the least is not paved with roses.

But even worse than the implied attack on coeds is the direct attack on decency in the performance of class business. It may be possible that no enterprise can be conducted successfully now-a-days except in a dense hedge of smoke and profanity, but the writer doubts it. The quickness and harmony with which the Technique electoral committee did its work last spring seems to prove that such conditions are unnecessary. Even THE TECH admitted the fact then. But of course seasons do change good manners and a business like spirit may be desirable, but the older men get the more value they seem to attach to them.

In brief, your article implies two absolutely false principles: first, that sex stands ahead of efficient service; and second, that decency should be left behind us when we enter Tech.

F. D. Applin '09.

TO DEBATE EXAM SYSTEM.

The Civic Club will meet at the Union tonight at 7.30. There will be an open discussion on the resolution: "Examinations are not a fair test of a man's knowledge." No preparation is needed and every one can say what he thinks.

TECH SHOW DINNER.

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B. Jenkins 1909 will sing "Cattle King" from "William, Willie, and Bill."

Kurt Vonnegut 1908 and R. H. Allen 1909, who made their fame two years ago as Karl and Alex the grinds, and who added to it last year in the title parts of the show, are expected and the success of their performance is well assured.

Sando, the leading lady last year, and Stein, a Wellesley waitress have been invited and probably will be there. Kibbey, who as a Jew collector made such a hit last year, is expected, but may not be able to come. Belden, who was Mrs. Montgomery Swelter last year has accepted and will certainly be there.

There were over 180 at the Tech Show dinner last year, the first of its kind, and the chances are good that the Union will be taxed to its limit. No tickets are to be sold at the door and all who wish to go will have to secure them beforehand.

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poverty of the experimental stage. But he had foreseen the extraordinary industrial development of the last twenty years in which Technology men have had so large a place, and he had planned an Institute broad enough to meet it. That those men have kept pace with the educational and industrial demands, that they have given the Institute its high reputation among colleges is because, through the teaching of the Faculty and through the traditions of the School, they have been imbued with the character of the Founder, who not only established the Institute of Technology but who created also the Technology atmosphere and spirit. Other college founders have endowed with money; Rogers gave something of far more worth, himself.
J. P. Munroe, '82.

"FAITH IN YOURSELF" THE POINT.

Dr. Alexander Tells Y. M. C. A. This.

Dr. Alexander gave the last talk of his series to the Y. M. C. A. yesterday. He spoke on the various kinds of faith; "first faith in God, the faith in Christ, in your fellowmen, and in yourself." He put considerable emphasis in "faith on yourself." This point he illustrated by the story of two boys who were trying to jump over a hitching-post. One had faith and got over. The other lacked faith and stuck on the top.

TECH MEN RECEIVE THEIR BUTTONS.

Eight Men Honored By War Department.

At a meeting of the Rifle Club yesterday it was voted to hold gallery practice this winter in the South Armory, providing arrangements could be made with the officials of Fort Banks for reloading ammunition.

The matter of sending a team to the New York intercollegiate shoot is still under discussion. It will be necessary for the men to pay their own expenses in event of an Institute team competing.

The following eight men, who qualified for the National Marksman's Reserve this fall received their bronze buttons from the War Department yesterday.

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TO TELL OF FAILURES IS A SERVICE.

Before Civil Engineers, Mr. Worcester
Thus Begins Talk.

Wednesday evening the civil engineering society held its first dinner and evening meeting at the Union. 103 members were present, and the innovation was considered a great success.

The speaking of the evening consisted of a short talk by Prof. Swain and the advertised address by Mr. Worcester, consulting engineer of the Boston Elevated Railway.

Prof. Swain spoke on the character of the civil engineering profession, mentioning the lack of public appreciation, due to its recent development and the duty of its members to make its true value known to the world.

Mr. Worcester spoke on foundations, and said that the greatest service a man can give his profession is to tell about his failures, so as to help it along. With this text he discussed a number of interesting foundation failures with their remedies.

FACULTY NOTICE.

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MILITARY SCIENCE.—Course B military science is changed from 4-5 on Thursdays, to 3-4 on Mondays.

NOTICES.

The man who sent a note to THE TECH signed "U. V. W." will receive reply by calling at 30 Rogers.

HOCKEY TEAM.—A meeting of the hockey team and candidates will be held in 26 Rogers today at 1.00.

MANDOLIN CLUB.—There will be a short but important rehearsal at the Union today. All be there promptly at 4.15.

1909.—All new and old members of the Junior class who have not received prom committee ballots kindly leave name and address at the cage for the 1909 nominations committee.

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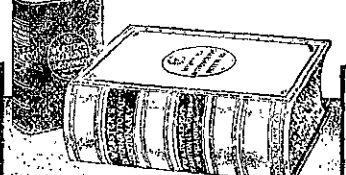
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CALENDAR.

Friday, December 6.

- 1.00 P. M. Hockey Meeting in 26 Rogers.
- 1.00 P. M. Meeting of the Round Table in 26 Rogers.
- 1.00 P. M. Meeting of Rangeley Students in 11 Eng. B.
- 1.00 P. M. British Empire Association Meeting in 16 Rogers.
- 1.30 P. M. 1907 Class Meeting in 51 Eng. A.
- 4.15 P. M. Mandolin Club Rehearsal at the Union.
- 7.05 P. M. Musical Clubs Leave South Station for Concert at Abington.
- 7.30 P. M. Civic Club Meeting at the Union.

Saturday, December 7.

- 1.00 P. M. 1910 Relay Team Picture at Jordan's Studio, 239 Boylston St.
- 3.00 P. M. Short Outdoor Run from the Gym.
- 6.30 P. M. Show Dinner at the Union.

Sunday, December 8.

- 7.00 P. M. Meeting of Tech Episcopal Men in Trinity Parish House.

Monday, December 9.

- 1.05 P. M. Institute Committee Meeting in 34 Rogers.
- 4.00 P. M. Glee Club Rehearsal at the Union.
- 4.15 P. M. Mandolin Club Rehearsal in 31 Rogers.
- 8.00 P. M. Basket Ball, Tech vs. Boston College, at the Gym.

NOTICES.

CIVIC CLUB.—Meeting at the Union tonight at 7.30. All persons interested are invited to attend.

1911.—The 1911 relay team will meet at Jordan's studio, 238 Boylston Street, at 1.00 P. M., Saturday, Dec. 14, for a picture. Bring suits.

1907.—All 1907 men now at the Institute or in Boston are requested to be present at a very important meeting to be held in 51 Eng. A at 1.30 today.

SURVEYING SUMMER SCHOOL STUDENTS.—A meeting of the men who attended the school at Rangeley will be held in 11 Eng. B at 1.00 P. M. today.

ROUND TABLE.—There will be an important meeting of the Round Table today at 1 P. M. in 26 Rogers for the election of new members.

Hereafter, notices will not be run in THE TECH unless they are signed by the men handing them in. Moreover, the number of times the notice is to be run must be clearly indicated. THE TECH will endeavor to run each notice as often as is desired but cannot promise to do so.

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